Research Assignment Organizer
Calloway County Middle School

Adapted from www.big6.com

You must complete Big6 # 1-5 before you begin to work on your assignment.
You must complete Big6 # 6 before you turn in your assignment.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Big6 #1 Task Definition What does my teacher want me to do? Where do I begin?

What information do I need in order to complete this task? (Consider listing in question form)
You will find interesting additional information as you use the resources. List below information that you feel you need to know at this time. (Attach another sheet of paper if you need more space.)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Big6 #2: Information Seeking Strategies *Where do I begin looking for information?*
Don't forget traditional print and human sources as well.

- ❑ Books - use the OPAC in the Media Center
- ❑ Encyclopedias
- ❑ Kentucky Virtual Library (www.kyvl.org)
- ❑ Pathfinder on Media Center Website
- ❑ Links to Internet sites on Teacher Websites
- ❑ Other: _____

If using web sites, how will I know they are good enough for my project?

- ❑ I will use only those sites evaluated and provided by my teacher or media specialist.
- ❑ I will ask my teacher or media specialist for assistance.
- ❑ I will find my own web sites and turn in a web site evaluation form for each one.

Big6 #3: Location and Access *Where will I find information for my topic?*

What are some **keywords** that I will use in my search for information?

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

Write the Call Numbers, titles and page numbers so you won't forget them. Write down web site addresses. Don't forget to search Indexes and Tables of Content.

Big6 #4: Use of Information *How will I gather and record the information that I find?*

- ❑ Take notes using note cards
- ❑ Take notes on notebook paper
- ❑ Takes notes using a word processor (MS Word)
- ❑ Other _____
- ❑ **I will remember to cite my sources using the guide given to me by my teacher.**

Big6 # 5 Synthesis **How will I show the results of my research?** Organize your information from multiple sources.

Decide how you will put together your notes and add your own ideas and insights about the topic. Who is your audience? How can you most effectively share this information with your audience? Create a product you would be proud to show anyone.

- ❑ Written paper
- ❑ Multimedia presentation
- ❑ Oral presentation
- ❑ Other _____

How much time do I estimate it will take to find the information and complete the project? _____

Timeline for assignment:
Ideas for project due by: _____
Information searching and note taking due by _____
First draft due by: _____
Completed project due by:_____

Include here any additional information needed to successfully complete the assignment:

Big6 # 6 Evaluation **Did you include everything that was required of your task?**
Before turning in my project, I need to check off all of these items:

- ❑ What I created to finish the project is appropriate for what I was supposed to do in Big6 #1.
- ❑ The information I found in Big6 #4 matches the information I needed in Big6 # 1.
- ❑ Credit is given to all my sources in the bibliography format given to me by my teacher.
- ❑ My work is neat.
- ❑ My work is complete and includes heading information (name, date, title, etc.)
- ❑ I would be proud for anyone to view this work.